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Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application - Return Copy Filing of Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.53 (f) Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application (executed, 4 pages) Copy of Specification as filed (13 pages, 8 claims and 1 drawing)

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Responsive to the notification dated December 11, 2000, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.53(f), Applicants submit herewith a Rule 63 Declaration. The required fee was paid at the time of filing the application.

The Declaration enclosed herewith, attached to the specification, is believed to adequately identify the above-identified application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.63, as set forth in MPEP Section 601.01.

The undersigned hereby states that the specification to which the Declaration is attached is a true copy of the specification, and any amendments thereto, as originally filed in the Patent Office in order to obtain a filing date.

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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